

House Resolution No. 3985

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative duties in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have demonstrated down through the years their true value as citizens; and

Whereas, William James Vandenberg, Sr., has attained considerable distinction since his birth on September 13, 1918, in Kansas City; and

Whereas, a lifelong resident of the Kansas City metropolitan area, William Vandenberg married Mary Frances Haying of Armstrong, Missouri, on January 26, 1941, in a loving relationship which lasted an impressive sixty-one years; and

Whereas, William Vandenberg is justifiably proud of his accomplishments as the father of William, Jr., who lives in Kansas City, and of Dorothy Ann, who resides in Colorado Springs, Colorado; and

Whereas, William Vandenberg provided for his family as a ticket clerk for nearly thirty-eight years at Union Station and then as an employee for ten years at the Osceola Boy Scout camp; and

Whereas, a Sagamore in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, William Vandenberg also deserves mention of his status as a life member of Methodist Men at Countryside United Methodist Church, life member of the Grandview Masons, President of the Kingswood Resident Council, and member of One Spirit United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, William Vandenberg is a noted traveler who has visited Canada, Mexico, and all fifty states making up the United States of America, and who has made three journeys to Europe:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive life of William Vandenberg and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon the occasion of his Eighty-fifth Birthday and our best wishes for many more celebratory events to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of William James Vandenberg, Sr., of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Cathy Jolly
District No. 45

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3985, adopted September 8, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker